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Calendar of Events

Saturday May 5th -

General Membership Meeting

Time: 11 am- Hot Dogs for Lunch!!!

Location: **RAE CLUB HOUSE**

3940 Wagner Road - Off Of Bargain RD

Thursday - May 28th-

Board of Directors Meeting

Time: 7 pm

Location: **RAE CLUB HOUSE**

3940 Wagner Road - Off Of Bargain RD

Ripley Hamfest

Believe it or Not! It's Finally Here!
It's the One and Only Ripley Hamfest!

**Bring Your Ham Radio, Computer Gear,
and Electronics leftovers
to Ripley and make a few bucks!**

Sunday May 6th, 2007 - - 7:30 am to 11 am
Ripley Fire Hall , Ripley, NY

1500 feet south of the only traffic light in Ripley at Rts 20 & 76
Cash Prizes

Food and Beverages will be available
Admission: \$3.00 --- Tables: \$3.00 each
Talk-In on 146.58 simplex

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Minutes

Radio Association of Erie
General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2006

The meeting was called to order by KE3V at 7:02 pm.

Board Members Present: KE3V, N3ZNP, WB3DOM,
KB3CAT, N3NKV, KB3BAM
Missing: KB3JSN, KD3D, K3LD

Guest: W3CUV

Secretary's Report: N3NKV asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting as printed in the QUARAE. Motion made by KB3CAT. Seconded by KA3CPV. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: N3ZNP read the treasurer's report.

Board of director's report: N3ZNP read the minutes of the March Board Meeting. Topics discussed included: Field day, repeaters, Investments, Audit, Budget, Picnic, Presidential tasks, Bylaws, grant money for ramp and stairs for back door, Tech Fair.

K3IVG Estate: WB3DOM mentioned that the club needs to pay this outstanding bill. N3LBI mentioned that he would contact KD3D in regards to this.

Committee Reports

Membership: KE3V reported that 2 more memberships came in. N3JOC is asking about the status of his check which he sent in January.

Repeater: KB3BAM reported that he donated two new equipment cabinets at the clubhouse. N3NKV reported that he has been in contact with WB3IGK about the status about the 440 repeater. He mentioned that he would not be able to put in on the air because of work reasons. It was discussed that the club consider putting it up at St Vincent's. KB3CAT said that he would work on the matter. N3NKV also reported that sometime within the next week N3SRD would be meeting with St. Vincent's Staff for approval to move the repeater.

Website: N3NKV had nothing to report

Education: K3UFG mentioned that he would be having a class sometime after Dayton Hamvention.

Public Service: KE3V reported that he contacted AD4UL via e-mail and he agreed to be public service chairman this year. N3LBI mentioned that the first event for the year is the March of Dimes Walk on April 29th at Presque Isle. He mentioned that he needed more help and a sign up sheet was sent around. KE3V mentioned that the Edinboro Triathlon was back under a new name this year. We are not sure if we will be helping out with communications for the event.

Tech Fair: KC2HVX reported that the RAE will be having 2 tables at the NW PAECT Tech Fair at the Tom Ridge Center on April 19th from 3 pm to 7 pm. Echolink and 2 meters will be demonstrated.

Old Business:

Contesting: WB3DOM mentioned that he received an e-mail from the PA QSO Party coordinators. This year for the Special Event Station they would like to have various stations running the W3P callsign throughout the state. WB3DOM made a motion that the club run as W3P instead of W3GV in the PA QSO Party if this plan goes through. Seconded by KB3CAT. Motion Carried.

New Business:

Club Meeting: KE3V reported that the May meeting would be held on Saturday May 5th at the clubhouse at 11 am. The meeting will start at 11 am and the club will supply hot dogs for lunch.

Dayton Trip: KB3BAM reported that he was not able to find a bus company for the proposed trip to Dayton Hamvention.

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Tech Fair Continued

I think this kind of exposure to ham radio cannot be bought. It takes planning, dedication, hard work, and a little luck to pull something like this off. We may or may not get new hams directly from this show, but we've reached the public (the students, their parents and teachers) with the message that ham radio is still alive, still necessary, and changing with the times.

Again, THANKS to all who helped and to the RAE board of directors and membership for supporting this endeavor.

73,
Kevin, KE3V

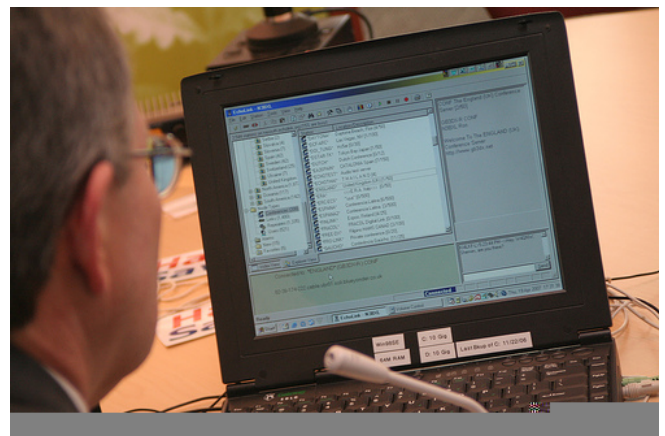


As John Lis - N3NKV works on Echolink, Dan Miller - K3UFG explains it to Harry Leslie who is the manager of Presque Isle State Park in Erie, PA.

Dan Miller - K3UFG, demonstrates conductivity to a group of students from the Corry Area School District at the Technology Fair which was held at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center at Presque Isle on 4/19/07.



John Lis - N3NKV demonstrates Echolink to a group of students and faculty from Corry Area School District. The Radio Association of Erie was one of many groups on display at this years Technology Fair at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center.



Ron Prindle - N3BXL operates Echolink from the Technology Fair at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center in Erie, PA.

The QUARAE



Tech Fair... A Huge Success!

From the President's Desk:

For those who didn't know; there was a student technical fair on Thursday April 19th at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center (TREC) for middle and high school students who were interested in technology. There were many computer demonstrations, robotics, pod-casting, classroom tools, and HAM RADIO.

Many thanks to John (N3NKV), Ron (N3BXL), Dan (K3UFG), and Bob (KC2HVX) for planning, setting up, and manning the RAE display at the Tech Fair. Matt, (KB3CAT) and Melissa took some dandy photos of the event and Ron (WB3DOM) stopped by and gave us someone to talk to demonstrate 2 meters. I wasn't there the whole time so apologize if I missed recognizing anyone else who helped out.

Our people built a top-notch display with video loop, live Echolink and 2 meter station, maps, handouts, signage, -the works!

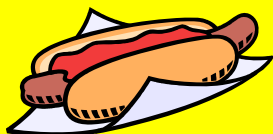
We can't measure the success of this event in hard dollars as we weren't selling anything. BUT, I personally call it a HUGE SUCCESS after watching the kids as they were mystified by Dan's magnetic/electrical demo game, and watching the Brazilian family pointing to various locations on the map where the hams they were listening to on Echolink were located. No, the hams didn't have to say where they lived. These folks could tell simply by listening to their different accents exactly which part of Brazil the hams were from. One teacher approached us asking if we could visit her classroom to show ham radio to all of her students. Dan and I spoke at length about ham radio and Echolink with an area school librarian who seemed genuinely interested.

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Just a Reminder ...RAE Meeting this Saturday

The Radio Association of Erie Meeting will be held on **Saturday May 5th** at 11am at the RAE Clubhouse at 3940 WAGNER RD in McKean.

Directions on PG 7



**The Club will provide
Hot Dogs for Lunch!**

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Club Repeaters

• Erie
**146.610-
PL 186.2**
• Waterford
**146.820-
PL 186.2**

Club Website:
www.raerie.org

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